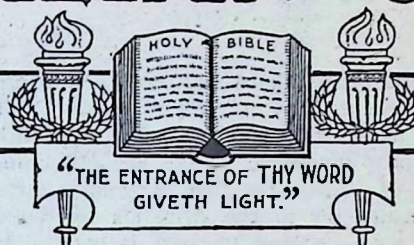


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## Civilisation in the Balance



*EVERY power hidden in the universe, from the power to make a fire to the power locked up in the atom, may be used for good or evil ends. Without this element of choice man would cease to be himself, made in the image of God, burdened with the knowledge of good and evil. In Ecuador, on the upper reaches of a tributary of the Amazon, there live the Jivaro tribe of head-hunting savages. Their women collect in the depths of the forest a plant called curari, which when boiled produces a deadly poison; the warriors dip their weapons in this, and they become so envenomed that the slightest scratch results in a terrible death. We are told that curari is now being used as an ingredient in remedies for infantile paralysis and tetanus. This being so, let us ask ourselves if it would not be possible to use even the atomic bomb for purposes of good, rather than evil. While it might not be used for medicinal purposes, yet it certainly has a sphere of usefulness in many ways beyond the scope of this paragraph. We believe it could be so used and become the servant of man rather than his master, his saviour rather than his destroyer. The choice lies before us, the future of civilisation rests on our decision.—“The Atomic Book.”*



# World Selfishness Permits Starvation

**A**LTHOUGH the war has ended, there are problems that can be solved only by united world action. One of the war's aftermaths is the real possibility that the "Third Horseman"—Famine—may gallop his deadly way over Europe and Asia. The writer of the editorial of "Life" says: "Thus far, general famine has been more a threat than an actuality, though it would be hard to say that to millions in war-racked areas. But there is already hunger bordering on starvation. President Truman is correct when he asserts, '... a food crisis has developed which may prove to be the worst in modern times.'"

There has been a nett worldwide wheat shortage of 17,000,000 tons. To meet this, U.S.A. undertook to contribute 6,000,000, Canada, Australia and Argentina 6,000,000. There is then a deficit of 5,000,000. That means many must go short. Cereal food could be provided for greater numbers if it were not fed to animals. A ton of cereal will produce only 430 pounds of pork (feeding 1800 people) or 350 pounds of poultry (feeding 1100 persons). Now one ton of cereal can make 1932 loaves of bread to feed 4300 people. Thus a wise use of cereals could meet the world shortage and provide food for all if people in favored lands went without some of their luxuries. Is it not a Christian responsibility that those who are able, bear the burdens of the weak?

Perhaps it is ignorance that prevents us from fulfilling our responsibilities. But we ought to make ourselves more familiar with the requirements of the world family and not live in self-contented isolation. As

a rule Australians are not well-informed on events beyond their States. The events in the outside world are allowed to pass unnoticed. We are not unmindful of some very fine personal efforts to measure up to the demands of the day, but as a community there is not the same urgency to meet this situation as was shown to overcome problems of defence raised during the war.

Are we aware of China's plight? Does it trouble us? Instead of the usual crop of rice of 41,300,000 tons, China is producing only 34,000,000 tons. There is a shortage of 7,700,000 tons. This can be made up in part by people in Western lands foregoing their rice. China still needs, however, Western types of food to fill the bowls of her beggars and needy inhabitants. Despite the good intentions of some in authority, Western food is only dribbling into that country. That means many in China must starve. Yet in this land of plenty there are people bewailing their plight. We hardly realise how fortunate we have been, and are!

No doubt there is a great need for the housing of Australian peoples, but are we conscious of the severe plight of families in Britain and on the continent of Europe?

Australia lost few houses due to the ravages of war, but Britain and Europe lost thousands of homes. How much greater is the need for housing in Europe then, than in Australia? While our requirements are urgent, Britain's must be desperate.

The world cannot be divided into sections to-day. There is one world. The plight of people in one area must affect others. Just as peace cannot be divided in the world to-day, neither can prosper-



Chinese boy with empty bowl begging food in a city street. Most child beggars go to the city because of supposed free rice being there. On arriving they find little, and usually die in the streets.

ity or poverty. The war has impoverished many lands. We have been blessed more than we recognise. Our comparative prosperity lays on us an obligation to make continued sacrifices in a world of famine and of devastation. If our present hardships help in any way to relieve the plight of Europe and Asia, we should suffer them gladly. Surely that is the Christian way of sizing up the present situation!



Housing in many European cities is terribly scarce, and available houses are desperately overcrowded. Ten persons live in this one small Warsaw room.

## My Own

Lucy Larcom.

I DO not own an inch of land,  
But all I see is mine—  
The orchards and the mowing-fields,  
The lawns and gardens fine.  
The winds my tax-collectors are,  
They bring me tithes divine—  
Wild scents and subtle essences,  
A tribute rare and free;  
And, more magnificent than all,  
My window keeps for me  
A glimpse of blue immensity—  
A little strip of sea.

HERE sit I, as a little child,  
The threshold of God's door  
Is that clear band of chrysoprase:  
Now the vast temple floor,  
The blinding glory of the dome  
I bow my head before;  
The universe, O God, is home,  
In height or depth to me;  
Yet here upon thy footstool green  
Content I am to be,  
Glad when is opened to my need  
Some sea-like glimpse of thee.

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# Christian's View of the Jewish Homeland

A SHORT time ago I had the privilege of attending a national seminar on Palestine held in Princeton, N.J., under the auspices of the American Christian Palestine Committee, and at which were present many of the most distinguished Christian ministers and laymen of our day. The seminar was held to discuss Palestine as the solution of the Jewish problem, and to emphasise the moral call upon us, as Christians, to support one of the greatest causes of human liberation—the reconstitution of Palestine as a Jewish commonwealth. It was, I may say, a most illuminating and inspiring experience for me to join in such a truly historic forum with such outstanding leaders of American thought as Dr. Henry A. Atkinson, Dr. Eduard C. Lindeman, Prof. Reinhold Niebuhr, Prof. Carl J. Friedrich and others whose names are too many to list here.

Since then I have been literally bombarded with Arab literature purporting to give the "other side" of the Palestine question. Lately I have been re-examining that literature and the arguments contained in it, particularly in view of what appears to be an all-out international campaign by certain Arab ruling lords to terrorise the democratic world in an effort to prevent progress and democracy from reaching the feudal Middle East in which they hold sway. And so I am speaking out now because the result of my examination is a conclusion that is overwhelmingly clear to me. I must support the Jewish homeland.

Let us consider the argument that the welfare of the Arab peoples is threatened by a Jewish homeland. A few simple facts and statistics are sufficient to show the true situation.

First, Palestine has an area of about 10,000 square miles. Against this, the Arab territories in the Middle East exceed 1,218,000 square miles, with a population of more than 17,200,000. This includes Saudi Arabia, Trans-Jordan, Iraq, Syria and Yemen.

The population of Palestine to-day is about 1,600,000, of which little more than one-third—or about 600,000—are Jews. What these 600,000 Jews have accomplished there is amazing. A threat to the Arab peoples? The only threat they represent is the threat of a better standard of living, the threat that some measure of dignity, decency and human freedom may be given the fellahin.

What really has been the effect of Jewish settlement? As early as 1925 Sir Herbert Samuel, then Great Britain's High Commissioner for Palestine, declared:—

Of the large Jewish expenditure in the country, a considerable part percolated to the Arab population. The sales of land enabled many owners to free themselves from debt and to obtain capital with which to develop the land they retained.

To-day the Palestine Arab lives better and longer than any Arab in the Middle East. Even before the war, in many industries, he was paid nearly twice the wages of the Egyptian Arab. His condition of life is infinitely better. Wherever the Jews reclaimed land and dried up swamps, there they drove back malaria; there they built schools and hospitals; there they dug for water, irrigated the desert, brought sanitation and cleanliness. It was impossible for all this energy and intelligence and magnificent devotion to be brought to Palestine without its benefits falling upon Jew and Arab alike.



*With serious trouble spreading in Palestine, we present this article by Dean Raimundo De Ovies, Atlanta, Georgia, U.S.A., giving some interesting facts that indicate the causes of the disturbance.*

## Salutary Effect

Perhaps the most eloquent Jewish argument is to be found in the Arabs themselves. Since the Jews began to build up Palestine, Arabs by the thousands have left their homes in neighboring Arab countries to come to Palestine and live. They were the first to realise that Jewish faith and enterprise were making a home for mankind, regardless of creed, in the Promised Land. They knew, as Arab propagandists here conveniently overlooked, that in the free and democratic Jewish commonwealth every citizen of whatever faith—Jew, Moslem, Christian—will possess equal civil and religious rights. And so from 1920 to 1940, the Arab population of Palestine increased from 600,000 to more than 1,000,000. Part of this increase was due to Arab immigration, but part was due, too, to the sharp upswing in the Arab birth-rate and the sharp decline in the Arab death-rate—witness again to the miracles sanitation, education and nursing can work in a land ravaged by malaria, trachoma, amebic dysentery and all the rest of the witches' brew of disease, poverty, ignorance and malnutrition. The reduction in infant mortality was literally astounding.

Actually, in the eleven years from 1929 to 1940—the period of greatest Jewish activity and immigration into Palestine, mind you—the Arab death-rate in Palestine dropped 33 per cent. This, I assure you, was not the result of wishful thinking, nor of high-sounding, pious platitudes delivered by richly-robed pashas in Cairo and Damascus.

There is another interesting fact to consider when one hears allegations that the Arabs are endangered by the Jews and that the Arab masses resent them. During this same period, Arab towns near Jewish settlements increased in population by as much as 160 per cent. Those not adjacent to Jewish settlements remained static, or at best had a normal increase of from 10 to 20 per cent. My friend,

Dr. Walter Clay Lowdermilk, U.S.A. government's eminent soil conservation authority, analyses these population movements in the book "Palestine—Land of Promise." He concludes:

The masses (of Arabs) actually left their own towns to settle in cities and villages where there was more economic contact with Jewish immigrants.

One wonders, indeed, on what grounds Arab politicians dare to suggest that the welfare of their people is threatened by the Jews.

As a matter of fact, given the assistance and example of the Jews, the Arabs will far sooner reach that goal of self-governing independence to which the world looks forward in all countries. They have little hope of achieving it under the exploitation of their pashas and reactionary masters who, by their very nature, are anti-democratic and distrust the masses, and who seek only to continue the status quo which has served them so well through the centuries.

Zion, whether cultural or political, respects the civil and political and cultural rights of the Arabs. There are those anti-Jewish propagandists who intimate that the Jews seek to oust the Arabs, or to transfer them elsewhere. This is a lie worthy of Hitler himself.

It has never been suggested by Jewish leaders, and is contrary to the wishes of the Zionists, who wish to make a truly free and democratic commonwealth of Palestine.

But Zion does not point out that the Arabs have emerged from two wars, in which their contribution, to say the least, was questionable, with more than a million square miles of land, while the Jews under the British White Paper have been limited to one-seventeenth of the 10,000 square miles of Palestine west of the Jordan.

Zion points out that the centres of Arab

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The Sea Gate, Tiberias, Palestine.



# Triumphs of the Meek

## DEVOTIONAL PROGRAMME FOR SEPTEMBER

*Hymn.*—Churches of Christ Hymnal No. 344, "These things shall be: a loftier race."

*Prayer.*—O Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who camest not to strive nor cry, but to let thy words fall as drops that water the earth, grant all who contend for the faith once delivered, never to injure it by clamor and impatience; but speaking thy precious truth in love, so to present it, that it may be loved, and that men may see it in goodness and thy beauty. Amen. (Adapted, William Blight.)

*Scripture Reading.*—Psalm 10: 16-18.

*Responsive Reading.*—No. 19.

*Devotional Meditation.*—"The Meek."

Our mental picture of a meek person is often a timid soul who is overcome by his circumstances, who easily submits to the wishes of others, and who chooses to sing about "such a worm as I."

If we study the three years of our Lord's ministry, we see the strength of the meekness which he advocates. He was often with his heavenly Father in prayer, sometimes during the whole night, or getting up before daylight. He sought the will of his Father in heaven in all that he did. When he came to the Garden of Gethsemane and prayed, "If it be possible let this cup pass from me," he showed the meekness which he advocated in the beatitudes. If we have such an outlook on life true happiness must result. For there is the security of knowing God as a loving heavenly Father to whom we can go for guidance. There is the desire to serve our fellowmen.

To the majority of people of his day, the Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane was a beaten man. It was the prelude to the cross. He owned nothing. His life had been one of poverty and sacrifice. He did not draw upon his great spiritual resources for his own safety at the very time they expected him to do it. He meekly went the way of the cross to die as a malefactor. But the Jewish rabbis, the judges and the governors of the Roman Empire in their pomp misinterpreted his actions, and yet could not help feeling the strength of his meekness.

If the words of this beatitude had been a prophecy of our Saviour's life they could not have been more true. Kingdoms have risen and fallen, but by his meekness in going the way of the cross the Christ has inherited a large and increasing place in every land.

The meekness of which Christ spoke comes from following the example of the Saviour in placing our wills into the will of God. If we believe the basic truth that God is love, we will always go to him in meekness, seeking his way. To inherit the earth does not mean the owning of great wealth and lands. It means rather that through singleness of purpose, the dedication of our lives to God, and our love for and faith in our fellowmen, it will be our desire and work that "his ways may be known upon the earth, and his saving health to all nations."

History has numerous examples of the meek inheriting their objective: Florence Nightingale overcoming the filth and stench of insanitary conditions among the wounded; Elizabeth Fry and prison reform in England; Pandita Ramabai and the child widows of India. With countless others, in the meekness which is strength and courage, these women have tried to carry out God's purposes in their lives. Anyone who follows in their train will be the means of inheriting the earth for righteousness' sake.

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

*Prayer.*—Give unto us, Lord Jesus, grace to be meek and patient as thou wast, that we may gently bear with the faults of others, and strive always to root out our own. For thy sake. Amen.

### Business Session.

#### Programme—

Home Mission Notes.

Overseas Letter.

Prayers.

Solo.

*Address.*—Women's Work.

*Hymn.*—Churches of Christ Hymnal No. 20, "Give thanks to God, he reigns above."



Florence Nightingale.

*Prayer.*—May the Lord Jesus Christ fill us with spiritual joy; may his Spirit make us strong and tranquil in the truths of his promises. And may the blessing of the Lord come upon us abundantly. Amen.

## EXECUTIVE NOTES

### Western Australia

The new superintendent of Wooroloo Visitation Committee is Mrs. Curtis, and the responsibility of this work will be shared by Mrs. Chapman. The Home Mission Committee has set an aim for the year at £250, whilst overseas missions will aim for £190. Financial statement showed balance of £366/13/9.

### Tasmania

The new address of the secretary, Mrs. G. Watkins, is 8 Union-st., North Hobart. At July meeting Mrs. Clifford led devotional session and Mrs. Hughes presided over business session. Reports from committees showed splendid results. A number of quilts have been made to send to India.

### Queensland

The "state of emergency" in Queensland and consequent cuts in transport were responsible for smaller attendance at meeting in Brisbane on July 4. Executive was happy that conference president, Mr. W. E. Reeve, was able to make the journey from Ipswich to address

the meeting. The three sisters in charge of devotions also journeyed from Ipswich. Resignation of Miss M. E. Fulton, secretary, was received with regret. Mrs. H. J. Payne was appointed corresponding secretary and Mrs. G. E. Bates recording secretary. Mr. and Mrs. Finger told of needs of medical work in New Hebrides at foreign mission rally on July 2. £5 of offering of £13 is earmarked for this field.

### South Australia

Devotional leader on July 4 was Mrs. W. Beller. There was an attendance of 77. President, Mrs. Cornelius, welcomed Mrs. Gordon, of W.A., who brought a greeting. National Council of Women has launched an appeal for wool or woollen garments to be sent as a gift to women of Great Britain from women of South Australia. Two guineas were donated from auxiliary for this purpose. Hospital superintendent reported 110 visits paid in the last three months. Gifts were distributed. During year £130/10/6 has been collected for home missions and £175/6/- for overseas. Temperance superintendent announced a poster competition for Sunday school children. She asked for prayers for six o'clock closing of hotels in State. Mrs. Bartlett reported that, at Morialta Children's Home, Miss Taylor was now taking charge of the boys and Miss Fuss the girls in place of Matron Richardson, who resigned through ill-health.

### New South Wales

Members from Chatswood Mission Band led devotional session on July 5. Mrs. Day, president, welcomed Miss Cook, an instructor in religious education in schools, who gave a much-appreciated address.

### Victoria

With attendance of 133, Mrs. Washfold welcomed Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bolduan to July council meeting. Mr. Bolduan's address on India brought new light on the work that has been done, and is still being done, on that mission field. A recommendation from Executive Committee was brought by Mrs. Cleland that, owing to ill-health, Mrs. Washfold be relieved from responsibility of presidency. Deep regret was felt that this was necessary. Mrs. Nankivell was asked to take the office, and Mrs. Washfold take her place as senior vice-president. This was accepted. Mrs. Gill, superintendent of Social Service Committee, reported that 500 parcels of food had been received, and many more were still being brought to be forwarded to Social Service Department in Britain for distribution among our members there.

## WOMEN'S FEDERAL CONFERENCE

A LARGE attendance of women is expected in Adelaide to attend the conference on Sept. 6. Many more would like to be there, but are unable to go. Whether we be among those who go or who stay at home, may we all join in praying for God's blessing on those who take part in these meetings.

## "HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE"

PROBABLY no woman in our churches in Australia is better known than Mrs. Evelyn Cosh, who for more than half a century has used her lovely voice in the service of God and to the joy of our people in all the States. For the past years she has made her home in Western Australia. On June 25 the Women's Auxiliary of W.A. paid tribute to Mrs. Cosh on her 78th birthday, and presented her with a bouquet of flowers and a

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# A Courageous Budget

## ANNUAL FINANCES

No. 1 Account.—The annual audit reveals income and expenditure as follows:—

Receipts.		
Victoria .. .. .	£3816	5 11
South Australia .. .	3177	14 1
New South Wales .. .	1493	8 9
Queensland .. .	991	3 9
Western Australia .. .	1034	13 11
Tasmania .. .	487	3 4
"Goodly Pearls" .. .	55	14 6
Students C.O.B. .. .	6	0 6
Interest .. .	300	2 6
	£11,362	7 3

Expenditure.		
All purposes .. .	£11,463	0 6

New South Wales: Held approximately £100 in reserve for Island payments, which is not shown in above figures, but taken into account when comparing income and expenditure. Thus, despite heavy expenditure, income kept pace with expenditure, and reveals how closely the board have husbanded their resources. All amounts shown as income from States have had local expenses taken at the source; thus the actual income from each State is higher than shown above. The Federal Board desire to express their deep appreciation of the loyalty and support of the brotherhood.

### New Projects

It is planned that a new house be sent to the Islands when Mr. Finger leaves in September. This will look after the immediate needs for Pentecost. Dispensary-hospitals for Islands foreshadowed for some time will also be provided, and already plans are under way for supplies to leave Sydney. The above projects are immediate needs, and expenses for same will commence immediately.

### New Workers

Six workers will be sought during the current budget year. Arrangements are about completed for a couple for the Islands, and an announcement can be expected shortly. India requires four new workers to even maintain her missionary strength. With the retirement of Messrs. Bolduan and Escott, four workers have been removed. The return of Dr. Michael and Miss Foreman for furlough in August, and the contemplated return of Dr. Oldfield and family and H. R. Coventry in January, will leave the field very much understaffed. Now the war is over an immediate build up is needed, not only for replacements, but to enter into opportunities that may not last too many years. A couple will therefore be sought and two single ladies (evangelistic workers). Immediate steps are being taken to bring these plans to pass.

### New Budget

The new financial budget, passed by board and submitted to State F.M. committees, is set down at £11,140. This approximates the total income given last year for general purposes. This new budget provides for a new couple for Islands, but does not provide for the building projects outlined above, nor for the four workers for India. At least £1000 will have to be added to the above figure if the existing work is to be maintained and the new work undertaken without causing the Board anxiety. These facts are presented to the brotherhood with

the hope that as heretofore the brotherhood will respond to our forward plans.

## CHINA: THE HUEILI FIELD

TWO June letters have reached the board from Kunming (Yunnanfu), one from Dr. Walter Hsueh, our late colleague in the China work, and Dr. Coonradt, of the Church of Christ in China. Both advise that the end of the war in China has increased the difficulties of the Chinese Home Missionary Society. During the war, in the quieter areas, such as Hueili, work could proceed as heretofore, and some direction could be given from a well-established group of C.H.M.S. workers stationed in Yunnan. The end of hostilities now reveals that new difficulties have arisen.

1. Headquarters of the mission at Shanghai was disrupted early in the Pacific war, and it is known that most of the former leaders are dead; despite this loss, local groups in Yunnan, as mentioned, carried on in a limited way.

2. Currency inflation and lack of funds have caused the Yunnan group to become absorbed into other missions. Left leaderless and without finances, there seemed to be little else they could do.

3. Hueili is therefore left much to itself, and no reports have come through for some time now to either Dr. Hsueh or Dr. Coonradt, so the position is somewhat obscure.

Just how the little flock in Hueili will get along in this changing period is difficult to say. If some of the old workers still survive we can be assured they will continue their Christian witness. Our informants advise us that they will forward any further reports as word comes to them. China, after coming through nearly nine years of war, is tired and weary. In many areas bad elements are putting up their ugly heads, black markets and the withholding of supplies the general tendency. China needs the prayers and sympathy of the Christian world.



Bruce Coventry and Hariba Waghmodi. Hariba will be present at Federal Conference, and will commence studies at College of the Bible, Glen Iris.

This department is conducted by A. Anderson, secretary of our Overseas Mission Board, 281 Magill-rd., Tranmere, S.A. Please make M.O.'s payable Adelaide.

## CHRSTIAN'S VIEW OF THE JEWISH HOMELAND

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culture, religious worship and political control are Damasus, Mecca, Baghdad and Cairo—not Jerusalem, which to the Jews is the sole and all-important centre of their culture.

Zion points out that in a Jewish State the traditional landmarks and religious sites sacred to the three faiths will remain untouched, and that thus any religious argument against Jewish aspirations in Palestine is untenable and unsound.

Nor would the reconstitution of Palestine affect the geographical importance of any Arab state. Palestine after all, to use Lord Balfour's famous phrase, is only a "tiny notch" in the huge Arab territorial possession. Its establishment as a Jewish State would not shut the Arab's pathway to the sea and the outside world, as some may have been led to believe. It takes nothing away from anyone. Both Syria and Lebanon border on the eastern shore of the Mediterranean. Saudi-Arabia has access to the Red Sea, the Persian Gulf and the Arabian Sea, as well as to the Mediterranean via the Suez Canal. Egypt has an enormous coastline on the Mediterranean and Red Sea.

### Why All the Fuss?

Therefore, I ask again, why all the fuss about tiny Palestine? Is it really a fear of the Jewish people, of a pitiful minority, more than one-third of whom were brutally massacred in this last decade? Or might it be fear of the virtues of the Jews; of the democracy they are bringing to the last stronghold of medievalism? Do not the Jews have a clear-cut right to Palestine? Certainly they have won the same moral right that our own American pioneers fought and died for; the rights of a people to the benefits of its own efforts.

## WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

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cheque. A musical programme and afternoon tea brought a happy afternoon to a close.

### Items of Interest

VICTORIAN Women's Inter-church Council and Women's World Day of Prayer Committee have decided to form a combined committee, consisting of six members from each, to plan and work for the spiritual and material good of the women of the State and community generally.

A gift of £1000 has been received by New South Wales Women's Inter-church Council towards proposed hostel for girl first offenders. This money was raised by straight-out giving during the war by a group of wardens in the city who saw the need for such a hostel. When publicity through the daily press was given to the project of the Women's Inter-church Council, these men felt that Christian women were the ones to undertake such a service and contacted the organising secretary, then met with the executive and made this generous offer.

At Northern Baptist Convention held at Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.A., on May 21-26, the president was Mrs. Leslie E. Swain, of Craigville, Massachusetts. Much of the credit for the success of the convention was given to her for her poise, fairness and firmness as chairman. It is said that one delegate when he saw Mrs. Swain in the chair said, "What—a woman!" but at the close said admiringly, "What a woman!"



# Here and There

## THE CAUSE AT EAST MALVERN, VICTORIA

A centenary souvenir of church of Christ, Grote-st., Adelaide, is ready for sale. The interesting historic sketch is well illustrated with photographs. Copies may be secured for 1/3 each (postage extra) from Mr. Will Beiler, 13 Pearse-st., Underdale, S.A.

J. A. Stabe paid the Austral a call on July 25. He was on his way from Rockhampton, Qld., to Perth, W.A., where he will superintend the transfer of railway refreshment rooms from private lessees to departmental control. On his way he was able to visit his mother, now 86 years of age, at Zillmere, and to attend a church service with her on July 21.

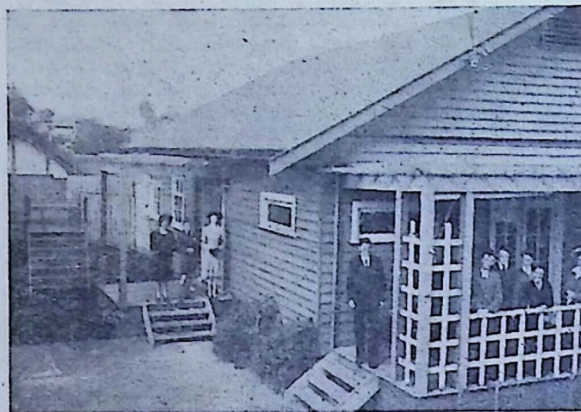
The South Australian Sisters' Auxiliary Temperance Committee is arranging a poster competition among our Bands of Hope and Bible schools this centenary year. Subject of poster is, "Right use of grapes and their products"; or "Right and wrong use of grapes and their products." Size of poster not more than 12 in. by 20 in. Section 1, up to 10 years. Section 2, 11 to 14 years. A prize worth 7/6 chosen from our book room will be given in each section and presented at conference. Closing date of entries, Aug. 16. Entries to be sent to Churches of Christ Book-room, 24 McHenry-st., Adelaide, or to Mrs. R. N. Tippet, Waterman-terr., Marion.

The Boys' Club at Perth, W.A., recently entertained boys of church at Cottesloe. On morning of July 21, visitors included R. Davidson (Melbourne). A talk by J. K. Robinson held attention. At 7.30 p.m. the service was broadcast. Mrs. M. Chapman rendered a solo; Mr. Robinson preached. Afterwards in church hall a social hour was held to honor Miss Doris Tilbee on her approaching marriage to Philip Wheaton. E. R. Berry acted as chairman. Handsome presents to Miss Tilbee accompanied appreciative references to her work in Bible school and choir. Replies by honored guests were enjoyed. Several musical items also contributed to a happy hour of fellowship. Supper was served.

In the twilight of to-day, I see on the horizon—not the man of Moscow, not the man of Munich, not the man of Rome, but the Man of Galilee. I see him going around the villages and districts, teaching and spreading his message of a new kingdom, healing the sick and suffering. And his message is: Cherish in love your fellow man, irrespective of race or language, cherish and keep the divine idea in your heart as the highest good! This is the message also for the church of to-day and for mankind milling around like frightened sheep without a shepherd. The Man of Galilee is, and remains, our one and only leader. And the church, as the carrier of this message, should follow him alone.—Jan Christian Smuts.

John H. Smith, of the Royal Australian Navy, receives regularly from his mother, Mrs. E. Smith, Hawthorn, Vic., "The Australian Christian." From Ceylon he wrote to his mother the following note:—"We have been here over a week now, and so are gradually getting to know the place. I have made friends with one of the gem dealers here. It came about through a discussion on religion. It appears that he, although a Muslim, is very interested in other faiths, and he actually had a copy of our 'Christian' ('The Australian Christian') on his table." We have reasons to believe that the ministry of this paper is continuing to reach out into many new spheres. Members of churches of Christ could help us make even greater use of this journal, and thus extend knowledge of the principles of New Testament Christianity to many new areas. Have readers thought of contributing subscriptions and of arranging for a copy of the journal to be sent weekly to friends or relatives? In this way an effective ministry could be fulfilled.

The Federal Executive of the Centenary Conference has arranged for the publication of a book to mark the one hundred years of history of churches of Christ in Australia. It contains an outline of the progress made in many fields of service at home and abroad. This story of one hundred years will encourage readers to press on with zeal into the coming century. It is hoped that the book will be on sale toward the end of August. Details of price, etc., will be announced later.



Meeting Place, East Malvern, Vic.

On Sunday afternoon, Aug. 11, the Australian Broadcasting Commission is holding a religious forum of the air debate at the Assembly Hall, Melbourne, commencing at 3.15. Mr. J. A. Lewis, of Collins-st. Baptist church; Mr. Colin Badger, Director of University Extension Board at the University, Melbourne; and Mr. Andrew Hughes, will debate the question, "Is a Revival of Religion Necessary to Post-war Reconstruction?" This broadcast is to go over the commission's alternative network.

A combined Sunday schools' rally was held on July 20, 21, at Whyalla, S.A. Schools associated with Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist churches, Salvation Army and church of Christ united in an effort to increase effectiveness of Christian teaching. Sunday school scholars formed a procession and marched through main street. Mr. Ryan, chairman of Whyalla Town Commission, was chairman of final meeting. G. Stirling, B.A., of Adelaide, was speaker at several services. His addresses were appreciated.

## WORLD-WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY

THE observance of the seventh World-wide Communion Sunday will be held this year on October 6. The present situation in our world is so distressing that more should be made of this day than ever before.

To-day multitudes are hungry and millions are suffering. Many of these are our brethren in Christ. They need the encouragement and the strength that will come from a sense of unity and fellowship on the part of all Christians in all lands about the Lord's table on the same day.

Union communion services within a given community are not advocated or contemplated. Each preacher will perhaps find it best to secure the presence of every resident member at the Lord's table on this day.

Churches in each nation and of every religious body are expected to work out their own plans and create their own literature for the observance of World-wide Communion Day. The day will be more significant and meaningful if all sense of "promotion" and "regimentation" can be avoided.

SOME years ago Thomas Hagger urged upon the church at Gardiner (where he was laboring as preacher) to branch out and start a new cause in some growing district. Our brother's enthusiasm led some of the men of the church to visit the district, look around and select a suitable site for a chapel. After much care and thought, a delightful site was secured in St. George's-cres., East Malvern. Later on, an opportunity arose for the purchase of a private residence in a favorable position, and after spending a large sum in repairs and renovations, both church and school held their meetings in the new "chapel." Only portion of the house was required for church and school purposes, so the tenants were allowed to remain in other portion. This project in no way hinders the future erection of a chapel on the site in St. George's-cres., which was rendered impossible under wartime restrictions. This year the church took a "forward movement" and called R. W. Saunders as preacher, and he has commenced evening meetings for the proclamation of the gospel. Associated with our brother is Miss Barton, B.A., a fellow-student at the College of the Bible. Miss Barton is a fully trained teacher and her help in the Bible school is invaluable. R. S. Ryall, B.E.E., is the enthusiastic secretary, to whom the church is much indebted. Annual report presented to church on July 11 showed progress had been made. S. W. Wilson was appointed an officer. A pre-school centre conducted on chapel premises and managed by a committee of ladies, independently of the church, is in its second year. Thirty children are enrolled, with an additional waiting list. The offering for oversea mission amounts to £13/14/3 to date.

## CONFESSION

Cecil C. Robinson, of New South Wales.

And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus is the Son of God.—Acts 8: 37.

IN the reading of Acts 8: 26 to 37, we have the perfect lesson of what is required by God when confession is made by the mouth unto salvation.

The eunuch having had Jesus preached to him by Philip, who was sent to him by God, would have learnt all about belief, repentance, confession and baptism by the time he said: "See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptised?" Philip replied: "If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest" (Acts 8: 37).

That is how we must win souls to make the confession with the mouth God requires unto salvation, for if confession is made when the belief is in the heart, Satan's attempts to snatch away the seed will be futile (Rom. 10: 9,10).

After his confession the eunuch was baptised and then went on his way rejoicing (Acts 8: 39).

God requires us not only to rejoice, but to constantly confess that Jesus is his Son, was raised from the dead, and through his resurrection power, able to save, cleanse, sustain and shield through God's blessing through the Holy Spirit (Phil. 6).

Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven (Matt. 10: 32, 33).



# News of the Churches

## Tasmania

**Mole Creek.**—On July 14 two scholars sat for Bible school examination. At night A. R. Harvey came from Caveside as usual, but weather prevented holding a service.

**Devonport.**—On July 14 a family night was held. All who attended enjoyed sing-song and fellowship at close of service. Members have proved faithful to both services. Average attendance at communion during past month was 37. Foreign mission offering was £11/6/-. Y.P.S.C.E. held a successful social on July 24 in aid of prizes for Sunday school. Endeavor meetings are an inspiration. Society has membership of 32, and all are keen.

## Western Australia

**Inglewood.**—Church listened to a helpful address from Mr. Hilford on June 23. Mr. Holmes, of Presbyterian Aborigines Mission, conducted evening service on July 7, showing interesting slides in connection with his work. On June 29 Mr. Sherman illustrated his address on incidents in the life of Christ with lantern slides. About a dozen men from Services were welcomed home. Ladies provided a banquet, after which moving pictures and other items made an entertaining evening. Mr. Kessel, from Bunbury, helped with a solo at evening service of July 14.

**Fremantle.**—Bible school, aided by enrolment of new scholars, has secured first place in its division in increase and attendance campaign. The marriage of Miss Christine Deller, formerly of Jandakot, and Colin Cooper has taken place. Good wishes are also extended to Peggy Jefferies on her marriage. She has been of much helpful assistance in Bible school and club work at North Fremantle. A successful concert was held at North, with Thompson-rd. building crowded. This was in aid of their organ fund. W. H. Nightingale, who completes this month his fiftieth year as a Christian, addressed church on July 7. F.M. offering (incomplete) is £3, and "living link" fund for May and June reached £24. Church extends sympathy to Mrs. Mason and members of her family in the death of her brother.

## Queensland

**Rockhampton.**—Sickness continues to affect attendances. There were good meetings on July 21. W. A. C. Wendorf exhorted church in absence of Mr. McIlhagger at Moongan for service there in afternoon. Mr. McIlhagger preached at night. Two young men were baptised, one of whom made his confession of faith the same evening and was baptised straightway.

**Charters Towers.**—Recently Women's Christian Fellowship conducted devotional meetings in homes of Mrs. McCauley and Mrs. Coward (sen.). Because of ill-health the two sisters have been unable to attend regular services. Under Mr. Buckley's guidance, prayer meetings have greatly improved, attendance averaging about 20. A boys' Explorers' Club and a girls' Good Companions' Club have been formed and are progressing well.

**Mackay.**—Church held annual business meeting on July 6. Officers elected: Mr. Nielsen, secretary; Mr. Brock, treasurer, Mr. Wyeth and Mr. Millar; S.S. superintendent, Mr. Wyeth; J.C.E., Eva Anderson; S.C.E., Mr. Millar; Worshippers' League, Mary Downie. Church has shown progress for year, and all are aiming for and looking forward to bigger progress this year. Brice Nielsen has been baptised, and is on teaching

staff. There has been one reconsecration, and two brothers and a sister were baptised on July 14. Ten scholars sat for scripture examination.

**Ma Ma Creek.**—At half-yearly business meeting it was decided to commence Bible school and services at Grantham if a suitable meeting-place can be secured. Aged Mrs. Stabenow passed away and was laid to rest in Ma Ma Creek cemetery. Church regrets loss of Mr. and Mrs. Weil, who have gone to Darling Downs, and of the Chappell family, who will reside in Toowoomba. Overseas missions offering is now over £22. W. Giezendanner was speaker at united service of Christian witness held in Gattton Congregational building. Band of Hope meeting was followed by social attended by a number of young people.

## South Australia

**Edwardstown.**—Sixth anniversary was celebrated on July 21. Morning service was conducted by F. Cornelius, and speaker was H. Norris, of Unley. During service, the oldest member, Mrs. Tabe, unveiled a scroll bearing inscription: "Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness." This very fine piece of work was gift of one of the congregation, Mr. Jones. Evening service was conducted by Mr. Cave, of Dulwich church.

**Kilburn.**—On July 21, 42 attended morning Bible school. At 11 a.m. service 33 were present, when fellowship was enjoyed with seven visitors from Hindmarsh church, this being first response to a number of invitations to sister churches to encourage this new cause with a car-load of representatives. 17 attended third special Sunday night gospel service. A. E. Brown's addresses were greatly appreciated. A young married woman confessed Christ in evening.

**Unley.**—Annual F.M. offering now amounts to £255. Half-yearly business meeting was held on July 17. Number of members on active roll, 235; average attendance at morning communion services, 131. Sunday school has enrolment of 31 teachers, 148 scholars. Ladies' Mission Band has given £15/4/6 to Christian Guest Home fund as centenary effort. Total amount for overseas and home missions by Ladies' Mission Band for half year was £53. Prof. A. C. Garnett addressed church recently.

**Hindmarsh.**—Work in church goes along nicely. Recently the Home Mission Committee of Women's Conference visited Dorcas Society, address being given by Miss Grant. On July 22, Men's Fellowship held a meeting with 50 present. Representatives from other churches in Port Line group attended. Responses were received. Splendid items were given by men of church. A spiritual and timely address was delivered by Major Ron. Smith, of Salvation Army. Sympathy is expressed to Thos. Flint in sudden home-call of Mrs. Flint, who for many years was associated with church.

**Semaphore.**—Church extends sympathy to relatives of Mrs. Pell, who passed away on June 30; also to Mrs. Fisher in loss of her brother. Mr. Ewers officiated at three weddings lately—Ken Matthews and Jean Samuels; Albert Dunstan and Minna Botefuhr; Edwin Macklin and Gwen Dawson. Men's Fellowship held a sports evening on July 1. Mrs. Green, president Women's Federal Conference, was speaker at monthly meeting of Mission Band on July 2. At close of Mr. Ewers' address on July 14, Brian Dowsett made the good confession. Annual business meeting of church was held on July 17. L. Weeks, P. W. Brooker, J. Brooker, D. Pearce and R. Sellick were re-elected deacons and J. Brooker secretary. Don Glover was received into fellowship from Grote-st. Overseas mission offering exceeded last year's amount.

**Flinders Park.**—G. Houston has been re-elected leader of Intermediate C.E. Society, with W. Walladge assistant leader and secretary; Don Challinger, treasurer; Edgar Hatswell, assistant secretary. On July 14 A. Anderson addressed combined Endeavor meeting and spoke at morning service. Mr. and Mrs. Don Aird have gone to Victoria to reside. On June 23 Glen Pearce spoke in morning, when Mr. Hollams visited Cheltenham. H. Francis, secretary, is in hospital.

**Whyalla.**—On July 14 Lance Stafford, a member of Y.P.S.C.E., made the good confession. Saturday and Sunday, July 20 and 21, the first combined Sunday school rally took place. On Saturday a tea was held for teachers and youth workers, G. Stirling, youth director, being speaker. At night a combined Sunday school concert was held with packed hall. On Sunday a united procession of all Sunday schools marched through the main streets led by five band of Whyalla primary school, to the institute, where C. Ryan, chairman of Whyalla Town Commission, presided. Mr. Stirling again gave an illustrated talk to scholars.

**Mile End.**—C.E. societies held anniversary services on July 7 and 9. G. R. Stirling and Harold Steward spoke at services on Sunday and H. G. Norris at Tuesday rally. A youth choir assisted on both evenings. Mr. Webb spoke at both services on July 14. At a special church business meeting on July 17, it was decided to purchase a new organ. J. Hoyle and J. E. Webb were speakers on July 21. Magnificent welcome home dinner and evening were given in honor of returned Service personnel on July 24. Welcome speeches by J. E. Webb and E. L. Caldicott were responded to by several Servicemen. A two-minute silence was observed in memory of Alan Norman, Max Gilbert and Don Keatch, who each paid the supreme sacrifice. Guest singer was Douglas Parnell. H. Randall, for many years agent for "Christian," has had to relinquish position owing to removal from district. Neil Hart has been appointed secretary of Bible school.

## New South Wales

**Cessnock.**—J. Orr, S. Geary, W. McCarthy and Dr. Rasmusson have assisted in church services recently. S. Banfield is assisting in Bible school. Mrs. Colquhoun, Miss J. Allan and W. T. Marley have assisted as organists. Solos have been rendered by Miss Grace Davidson and duets by Misses Gladys and Ivy Orr. Lining of church building is being done by brethren from Kurri. Local workers are fencing church property. P. J. Pond is continuing to make new contacts and to widen influence of church.

**Dareton.**—A fine spirit prevailed at annual business meeting of church held on July 17. Treasurer's report disclosed credit balance of £314. All auxiliaries presented favorable reports. The following were elected: Elders, Messrs. Chivell and Feckner; deacons, Messrs. Lawson, Kissick, Cook (treasurer) and Waters (secretary); S.S. superintendent, Mr. Chivell; organist, Sister Kissick. It was decided to instal radiators in building for warmth during winter. Supper was provided by ladies after business session.

**Belmore.**—At annual business meeting of church held on June 26, officers elected were: secretary, G. Bothwell; treasurer, H. Cox; deacons, C. Bowser, G. Bothwell, H. Cox, E. Fishburn, J. Hawkins, A. Morris, G. Sloman, W. Smith, M. Taylor, A. Creed; elders, C. Hillier, E. Smith, C. Taylor. Encouraging reports were given by preacher, secretary, treasurer, and representatives of all auxiliaries. On July 6, church football club held a successful concert. Bible class held a tea on July 7, when three members of Sydney University Evangelical Union were speakers. Ladies' Aid and Mission Band held a successful "bring and buy" afternoon on July 17, Mrs. Corlett leading devotional session.



**Lismore.**—At morning meeting on July 21, Mr. and Mrs. Hambly were received into fellowship following baptism. Fellowship has been enjoyed with Mr. and Mrs. Williams, from Kaniva, Vic. Ladies' Guild have held social afternoons at homes of Mrs. R. Wotherspoon and Mrs. Ellis. Several new scholars were gained in Bible school in recent scholar drive. Youth Club has also increased in numbers, and the young people are very keen.

**North Sydney.**—Services have been up to average. Visiting speakers have been Messrs. Rapkins, W. Taylor, A. Surtees, R. Acland and T. Bamford, who with Mrs. Bamford and daughter, spent one Lord's day en route to N.Z. A married lady confessed Christ and was baptised same hour of night. H. Pollard is training a group of young lady singers to help in gospel services. F.M. offering is over £31, and another £25 has been paid off building debt.

**North Auburn.**—Attendances have been very encouraging. Gifts amounting to £143 have been contributed, and property adjoining chapel will be purchased entirely free of debt. Bible school concert organised by kindergarten superintendent, Mrs. Winch, was a great success. It is thought about 400 people attended. A working bee has improved church building by painting interior. Already £45 is in hand for project of Bible school hall. During absence of Mr. Caldicott in Taree on July 21, C. Bowser, assisted by University students, conducted a successful gospel service. Mrs. Bell, from Petersham, has been welcomed into fellowship. Members grieve the passing of Mr. Davidson.

**Wagga.**—Meetings are well attended, but several members have been away through illness. Mr. Thomson has given fine addresses during month. Mrs. Learmont and Mr. Morrison have assisted gospel meetings with solos. An enjoyable afternoon was held at the manse, when Mrs. Thomson entertained ladies of church and gave a talk on wild flowers of Western Australia. A tea for young people was held in kindergarten hall on July 21. Visitors have been welcomed. A tennis club has been formed with W. Mowsar president, J. Rhodes secretary and treasurer, W. Casperson captain, and S. Jenkins vice-captain. A working bee was held and court prepared. Ladies' Aid entertained Baptist ladies one afternoon.

**Taree.**—Church extended a welcome home to discharged members of Forces on evening of June 19; those unable to accept the invitation and living at distances sent greetings. Concluding services of T. D. Maiden were held on July 7. He presented to the church a progressive evangelistic programme for consideration. A farewell social was extended to Mr. and Mrs. Maiden, Helen and Peter, prior to their departure for W.A., on evening of July 8. The chairman, A. W. Billingham, supported by other speakers, paid a tribute to the good work accomplished during their fruitful and helpful ministry. A presentation of a wallet of notes was made from church, a suit case from Wingham members, and a travelling rug from C.E. On July 14 A. C. MacLean, of City Temple, visited church as conference president, and gave helpful and encouraging addresses. A. C. Caldicott (Woolwich Bible College) was speaker on July 21, his aid being appreciated. Mrs. Isabella Saxby, wife of Edwin J. Saxby, a loyal member for almost forty years with Taree church, entered into rest on July 10. P. E. Thomas, preacher of Marrickville church, paid a fitting and well-deserved tribute at the funeral service on July 12, when friends and relatives again remembered her many acts of love.

## Victoria

**Emerald.**—On July 21 F. Warn, from Upwey, took all services. Lorna Hamilton rendered a delightful violin solo at evening service. Foreign mission offering was £8.

**Warragul.**—On July 21 Mr. Collyer exhorted church in morning. Ladies' Guild held monthly stall on July 18; over £7 was raised. Church regrets continued illness of Mrs. E. J. Waters. Six scholars sat for annual Bible examination.

**Springvale.**—J.C.E. averages fourteen each week. Gospel service on July 21 took form of a young people's night, when young people took part in speaking, singing and reading. The church at Oakleigh will rejoice to learn of congregation of 87 on this night. Their subsidy of 10/- per week is a help to a young cause which members appreciate.

**Franston-Moorooduc.**—T. Hagger, preacher of church, and J. T. Freeman, local Methodist preacher, exchanged for evening service on June 23. Overseas mission offering closed with total of over £16. A cottage service was held at Mornington on July 16. On July 24, half-yearly business meeting was held. Reports showed good progress made in past six months. Bible school attendances reached over 100.

**Dandenong.**—Attendances at all meetings have been well maintained. One sister made the good confession on July 14. H. B. Robbins addressed church on morning of July 21. C.E. celebrated anniversary at evening meeting of 28th, some members having part in service. Membership and attendances have greatly increased during last few weeks. Misses Beris and Margaret Flett, Joan Williams and Gwen Holt brought a message in song.

**Preston.**—W. Gray, Coburg, gave an inspiring exhortation on July 14. At Senior C.E. on same morning R. Clinton, formerly a member at Preston, but now secretary of East Preston church, gave an interesting talk on experiences whilst with Services. C. Page conducted prayer service on July 18. Mr. Combridge has addressed all other meetings. In his absence at Reservoir on July 28, W. T. Atkin conducted gospel service, and gave an appreciated address.

**Surrey Hills.**—Pending discharge of H. A. G. Clark from Army, Principal E. L. Williams is conducting an interim ministry. He is being assisted by a student, M. L. Symes. Student Christian Movement service was held on morning of June 23. At evening service Reg. Williams, a son of Principal Williams, confessed Christ. In evening of July 14 a youth service was well attended. On evening of July 20 a welcome home social was tendered by church to returned Service men and women. Overseas mission offering attained a record of £43. Church extends sympathy to Mrs. Donalson and family in the passing of Mr. Donalson, an aged member of the church.

**South Yarra.**—Recently Women's Guild arranged a sale of work in aid of new building fund, raising £41/2/-. July 3 was Temple Night, members bringing contributions for the year for new home, £153 being received. At annual business meeting on July 17, reports from all auxiliaries were encouraging. New officers appointed were J. Roper and F. Linton. It was unanimously decided to buy property next to chapel. Church extends sympathy to loved ones of Mrs. Smith, who passed away on July 16. Cottage prayer and Bible study meetings continue. On July 25 a social was tendered to Marjorie Linton. E. Roffey and R. McLean are preaching and teaching faithfully.

**Essendon.**—At morning service on July 14, B. J. Combridge (conference president) addressed church. C.M.S. held monthly tea meeting; 38 attended; Mr. Jame, recently returned from India, was speaker. Mr. Crisp conducted gospel service; Mrs. Buttress was soloist. Newly-formed Friendly Society held a successful social on July 15. Mr. Alcorn (Reservoir) spoke at morning service on July 21. Mrs. Croxford rendered a solo in evening. Mr. Crisp welcomed into church Mrs. Newton, from Ascot Vale, at evening communion service. Midweek meeting has been postponed

for five weeks to enable S.S. teachers to attend a series of lectures, under auspices of Council for Christian Education in Schools. Mrs. Hutton is home from hospital.

**Hampton.**—C. L. Lang's address on evening of July 21 was illustrated with lantern slides. On morning of July 28, speaker was H. E. Abbot, minister Presbyterian church, in an exchange of preachers in district. A token of love was sent to Mrs. Austin, as it was her 93rd birthday.

**Prahran.**—Women's Fellowship for July took form of "bring a gift, buy a gift," proceeds going to Social Service Department for new hospital. July 20 was occasion of welcome home dinner and social to ex-Service members. A happy time was spent. Thanksgiving service for safe return of Service personnel on July 21 was well attended. Cricket club held social on July 27, raising £5 for new equipment. Work among children is encouraging. Bible school attendances over past few weeks have been best for some time. Explorers have 36 boys enrolled and Good Companions 18 girls.

**Boronia.**—Mrs. E. Goodwin is new superintendent for kindergarten. Series of morning addresses on "What Should the Church Do?" had as final speaker Dr. Frater, of New Hebrides. He brought with him one of his New Hebridean preachers, who also spoke to church. Tennis teams still hold the two top positions in Eastern district competition. F. E. Buckingham told church what C.F.A. had done and hoped to do. Mrs. Summerville and two daughters have transferred membership to Boronia. Overseas mission offering to date is £35. A large number have registered and are going to Federal Conference.

**Gardiner.**—Mr. Bolduan was speaker at both services on July 14. About 25 scholars sat for Sunday school scripture examination. Offering for overseas missions amounted to more than £105. F. E. Buckingham exhorted church on July 2 on work of C.F.A. 28 men were present at Men's Fellowship meeting when Mr. Lee-Archer gave a talk on Australian poets. Mr. Bolduan was speaker at gospel service, and at both services on July 28. Cottage prayer meetings have been held in homes of Misses V. and M. Sheehan, Mrs. J. Nichols and Mrs. Alan Thomas. Practice has commenced for Sunday school anniversary with Ralph Hall conductor. Sympathy of church has been extended to Mr. and Mrs. J. Catherall (Eunice Chipperfield) in loss of their baby.

**North Fitzroy.**—During month attendances morning and evening have been exceptionally good. John Turner is in Adelaide, and will take up full-time work on Aug. 4 after long illness. H. Swain is preaching until John Turner takes up the work, and is assisted in evenings by young men of church. R. Lloyd, of Coburg, gave morning address on July 21 and W. Hibbert on 28th. Both speakers were much appreciated. Church rejoices in advent of five new babies, and recently special services have been held by kindergarten in placing them on cradle roll. All are children of teachers in school and officers of church. Bible school had record number of candidates for annual examination, and is practising for anniversary. Girls' basketball team is having a successful season. Young People's Fellowship and clubs are having good attendances during winter months.

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**Melbourne (Swanston-st.).**—C. B. Nance-Kivell preached at morning service on July 28. At evening service Alexander hymns were featured. Owing to sudden indisposition of Mr. Nance-Kivell, A. Wilson preached.

**Caulfield (Bambra-rd.).**—Good interest and well-attended meetings continue under leadership of R. L. Williams. At evening service on July 21 a married woman rededicated her life to Christ. 147 communed for day. Overseas mission offering amounted to £38. During July an average of 146 communed. Series of addresses on history of Restoration Movement by R. L. Williams has been appreciated. Work of auxiliaries continues to be encouraging.

**South Richmond.**—Attendances at gospel services have increased during month of July. F. Langford continues to give helpful addresses. On July 28 W. Newnham, from Surrey Hills, was speaker at S.S. teachers' tea, and afterwards took charge of gospel service, delivering a challenging lantern lecture. Church has been saddened by passing away of Mrs. Lister, one of the foundation members. Girls' and boys' clubs have both gained several new members, an encouragement to leaders, I. Gordon and F. Langford.

**Ballarat (Peel-st.).**—Five have been added to church during past month. Ladies' Guild has shown increased interest with large attendance at special meeting when plans for future were discussed. Enjoyable afternoons have been held at homes of Mrs. Pfeifer and Mrs. Turner. Y.P.F. held a banquet with representatives of other clubs present. Their attendance is keeping up at about 24. J.C.E., with average attendance of 12, held a tea last week, when a rich time of fellowship was experienced. Nola Graham and Phil have recovered, Mrs. Falla is greatly improved, and Mrs. Sonsie is holding her own. Speakers during month at morning services have been R. McLeod, A. Graham and J. Russell.

**Doncaster.**—A successful birthday meeting was held by Women's Mission Band on July 18. Representatives from local and neighboring churches were present. Mrs. Colonel Henry was speaker. Members have been busy making quilts for India. A complimentary social was tendered to Miss Betty Williamson on the occasion of her marriage. Mr. Banks made a presentation on behalf of church. The last of Service men and women of church have arrived home. On afternoon of July 28, young people had tea at chapel. Representatives from local youth groups, also visitors from Box Hill, Balwyn and East Kew, were present. Evening meeting was conducted by young people. Mr. Banks gave the address. There was a large attendance.

**Malvern-Caulfield.**—Women's Department held annual meeting on July 10. Reports showed a happy and successful year's work. Flowers were presented to Mrs. Gerrand (sen.), and Mrs. G. Mitchell for long and valued service. Election of officers included Mrs. Gerrand (sen.), life president; Mrs. C. Cole, president; Mrs. Ashcroft, secretary; Mrs. Griffiths, treasurer. At morning service on July 14 C. Cole spoke, and in evening a sound movie presentation of "Barabbas" was given by W. A. Deutscher. On July 21 Jas. Holloway spoke in morning and C. Cole in evening. Attendances continue to be encouraging. C. Cole's addresses are appreciated. At annual church business meeting on July 24, splendid reports were presented by auxiliaries. Many tributes were paid to Jas. Holloway on his retirement as church secretary after 31 years' service and on his appointment as conference president-elect. R. P. Clark was elected secretary, John Beveridge and C. Gadge were appointed, and Messrs. Clark, Jackson and Eames were re-appointed to board of officers.

**Northcote.**—Two senior girls from Bible school were baptised on July 21, and received into membership on 28th. Mrs. Parkes, a member of long standing, was suddenly called home on 21st. Foreign mission offering received from members, £56, plus £65 duplex, total of £121. School has commenced practice for anniversary. Queensberry-st. youth fellowship visited K.S.P. and P.B.P. clubs at a combined meeting recently and listened to an excellent debate by Pi members. Mr. Nicholson, of Local Option, spoke on morning of July 28. Offering received for this cause was £77/-. Average attendance for month for breaking bread was 176, and evening service 122. W. G. Graham's addresses are greatly appreciated.

**North Essendon.**—Attendances are steadier than in previous winters, the feature being increase at gospel service. Special services have been conducted during July, commencing with July 7, Mission Sunday. 38 men accepted invitations to attend tea, and after F. Lee had addressed gathering it was decided to form a Christian Men's Club. The men formed a choir for evening service, when L. A. Trezise spoke. On morning of July 14 R. C. Bolduan, from Gardiner church, gave a review of mission work in India. Ex-Service personnel had charge of gospel service, when Sid Rose, Lindsay Pollock, Hazel Skuce and ex-Sister Fletcher gave stirring testimonies of guidance during war service. July 21 was 20th anniversary of church, when L. A. Trezise spoke in morning. W. F. Nankivell (Camberwell) was speaker at gospel service, when F. Furlong was soloist. A feature was a review of work of church since 1926 by one of the foundation members. Special month of meetings was brought to a conclusion on July 27. At gospel service, monthly Question Night was observed, when preacher answered questions asked by congregation.

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Mr. J. H. Kestle and family wish to thank all kind friends for letters, telegrams, flowers and personal expressions of sympathy in their recent sudden and sad bereavement. These have brought much strength and comfort, and are deeply appreciated.

#### DEATHS

**LYALL.**—On July 21, at his residence, 20 Margaret-st., Canterbury, James Lyall, loving husband of Sarah, loved father of Jessie, Ruby (dec.), Alice (Mrs. Hopkins).

Resting where no shadows fall,  
In perfect peace he awaits us all.

**SMITH (Margaret Jane).**—Passed to her rest on July 16, at her home, 17 Balmoral-st., South Yarra, dearly beloved wife of Albert and mother of Ruby (Mrs. Wordie).

#### IN MEMORIAM

**COLLINS.**—In loving memory of Benjamin William (Will), who was called home July 31, 1938.

**DEMERAL.**—Sweetest memories of my beloved husband, Claude, who passed away July 31, 1943 (1st A.I.F.).

"We two shall live and love again,  
Where partings are unknown."

**GIBSON.**—In fond remembrance of Ada Millan, who was called home Aug. 1, 1945. Loving mother of Jessie (Mrs. G. H. Oldfield), Dorothy, Will and Reg.

"To live in the hearts of those who love her  
is not to die."

**LEITCH.**—Martha Leitch, beloved wife of Gilbert, and dearest mother of Eileen and Colin, who fell asleep Aug. 1, 1942.

There shall be no more death, neither sorrow  
nor crying.

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You shall not expose to the onslaughts of life an undisciplined mind and an untrained will.

● Instead, you shall nurture within each growing life the ability to think its way, and to summon an efficient will with which to drive on to the true goal of life.



You shall not leave empty and unfurnished the rooms of a human life, lest the seven evil spirits enter in and dwell there, so that the last state is worse than the first.

● Rather, you shall spend and be spent, so that there will mature in young life intriguing interests, worthy life motives, great purposes, and ennobling ambitions.



You shall not cause a human person at one stage in its growth to face views of truth which are out of harmony with the teaching of earlier years.

● Instead, you shall present to that person at every age a view of the universe and of life which shall grow as life grows, and be always consistent within itself.



You shall not expect the pliant reed of a life that is unbuttressed by religion to endure the shocks of our world.

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fellowship (with 130 present), with its attendant reminiscences, preceded final service on July 25. Many past preachers and members were present. H. P. Manning, immediate past preacher, presided; choir again assisted, and Mr. Earle delivered his closing address. A presentation was made to Mr. Earle, in recognition of his help during celebrations.

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# Obituary

## Mrs. Margaret Jane Smith

ON July 16, at her home in South Yarra, Vic., Mrs. Margaret Jane Smith was freed from pain and passed to fuller service. She was 70 years of age, and rendered a valued and sustained service in the church since 1911. It was at the Scoville mission, South Melbourne, that she first confessed her faith in Christ. South Melbourne was her first sphere of service, but her work at Burnley and Windsor will be especially remembered by members there, and many student-preachers, who were the recipients of her hospitality. The closing five years of our late sister's life were spent at South Yarra, where she was loved and esteemed. Her quiet, gracious manner won for her many friends, who were greatly concerned during the days of suffering which preceded her passing beyond the limits of this life. Those who gathered in the home and at the graveside at Cheltenham could feel no sorrow for her, but deep sympathy for our brother who has shared her service for Christ for so many years.—E.W.R.

## Albert A. Stewart

ON June 28, at the age of 81 years, Albert A. Stewart fell asleep in Christ at his home in Moonee Ponds, Vic. Our brother was baptised over 60 years ago in the chapel at Chelwynd-st., North Melbourne, and until his death faithfully served his Master, chiefly in North Melbourne and Newmarket churches. He was a cheerful soul, given to hospitality, and loyal and thoroughly dependable in any duties he undertook in the service of Christ. Endowed with musical gifts, he excelled as a choir-master, a conductor of Sunday school anniversary singing, and a church organist. His mortal remains were interred in Fawkner cemetery among those of many of his old associates in the churches, the service being conducted by J. I. Mudford, who was assisted by Mr. Crisp, of the church at Essendon. The sympathy of many friends is extended to his widow—formerly Miss Heron, of North Melbourne—and to his family.—J.I.M.

## Mrs. J. J. Taylor

VERY suddenly the home-call came to our dearly loved sister, Mrs. Taylor, on a beautiful Lord's day morning, July 21. She had not been well for some years, but her health was not such as to cause undue alarm to her home folk. Nevertheless she lived in a state of continual preparedness. It was approximately twenty-five years ago that she came into membership of the church at Marrickville, N.S.W. For many years she was splendidly helpful in Sunday school teaching and in the practical side of church activity, the Dorcas Society. For the last thirteen years she has been a faithful and honored member of Lane Cove church, where with her husband and daughter she worshipped regularly. Deep sympathy is expressed to her nearest and dearest, Mr. J. J. Taylor, and the daughter Edna, in the great loss sustained. But to them it is a separation only till the shadows flee away. The day dawns.—H.J.P.

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FURTHER topics for leaders at the Lord's  
table have been suggested as follow:—  
"G.I." mentions a series of talks on "Learning  
in Light of the Cross"—1. Learning Personal  
Consecration (1 Cor. 5: 18-20). 2. Learning  
Brotherhood (1 Cor. 8: 11-13). 3. Learning  
Generosity (2 Cor. 8: 1-9). 4. Learning How  
to Love (Eph. 5: 25). 5. Learning the True  
Glory of Religion (Gal. 6: 14). "S.A." pro-  
poses "Supper-time Contrasts and Comparisons"  
—1. "Two Cups"—Joseph's Cup (Gen. 44: 2)  
and Christ's Cup (Mark 14: 23, 24). The one  
even more than the other occasions much  
heart-searching, but is yet a genuine love de-  
vice. 2. "Two Last Suppers"—Belshazzar's  
feast of perversity and desecration (Dan. 5: 1)  
and Christ's feast of purpose and dedication  
(Luke 22: 14, 15). 3. "Two Approaches"—  
with an air of satisfaction and vanity or with  
a profound sense of need (Luke 18: 9-14). The  
stories must be told very briefly and not at  
length.

"R.A."—1. THE VISION GLORIOUS (Heb.  
2: 9), "But we see Jesus, who was made a  
little lower than the angels for the suffering  
of death, crowned with glory and honor; that  
he by the grace of God should taste death  
for every man." In the words, "We see Jesus  
. . . crowned with glory and honor," one  
of the key messages of the Lord's table is  
brought before us, revealing as it does the  
sovereignty of the Saviour. 2. MEETING TO-  
MORROW, TO-DAY (Mark 6: 31), "And he said  
unto them, Come ye yourselves apart into a  
desert place, and rest a while: for there were  
many coming and going, and they had no  
leisure so much as to eat." New strength is  
found at the dawn of a new week. This en-  
ables us to go back to the work refreshed and  
encouraged. 3. THAT "FIRESIDE" FEELING  
(Luke 24: 32), "And they said one to another,  
Did not our hearts burn within us, while he  
talked with us by the way, and while he opened  
to us the scriptures?" The words, "Did not  
our hearts burn within us?" literally mean,  
"Did we not have the 'fireside' feeling within  
us?" From the Lord's Supper we go forth  
with warmed hearts. 4. RICHES BEYOND  
REALISATION (1 Peter 2: 7), "Unto you, there-  
fore, which believe he is precious; but unto  
them which be disobedient, the stone which  
the builders disallowed, the same is made the  
head of the corner." The first part of this  
verse tells us that, as Christians, we have a  
Saviour whose presence gives abundance in all  
things vital for victorious living. 5. "LOST IN  
WONDER, LOVE AND PRAISE" (1 Pet. 1: 8),  
"Whom, having not seen, ye love; in whom,  
though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye  
rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory."

Not infrequently the Old and New Testament  
lessons provide a theme for the communion  
talk, thus: Aug. 4, "The Hope of the Desolate"  
—desolate earth, home or heart (Isa. 1: 1-9;  
Luke 13: 22-35. N.B., verse 35). Aug. 11, "A  
Feast of Wisdom"—table talk of Jesus on  
humanity, humility and hospitality (Prov. 9:  
1-12; Luke 14: 1-14). Aug. 18, "Turning Away  
or Harkening." There is a turning away that  
is slaying, and there is a harkening that brings  
life (Prov. 1: 20-33; Luke 14: 15-35). Aug. 25,  
"The Lord of Redemption and Renewal" (Psa.  
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